

This application is a continuation of International Patent Application

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No. PCT/EP99/07963, filed October 20, 1999, in the European Patent Office; additionally, Applicants claim the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) - (d) based on patent application No. 98830661.9, filed October 30, 1998, in the European Patent Office; further, Applicants claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) based on prior-filed, copending provisional application No. 60/114,157, filed December 29, 1998, in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; the contents of all of which are relied upon and incorporated herein by reference.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention--

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Page 1, line 27, add section subheading Description of the Related Art prior to the start of the paragraph beginning "Manufacturing of tyres for vehicle wheels"

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Page 5, line 4, add section heading SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION prior to the start of the paragraph beginning "In accordance with the present invention"

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Page 10, line 21, add section heading BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS prior to the start of the paragraph beginning "Further features and advantages. . . ."

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